

invention. For this reason the applicant submits that Goh would not teach or suggest one skilled in the art to actively reduce a reference signal as recited in the claims. For these reasons the applicant submits that the claims are patentably distinct from the references cited by the Examiner.

The Examiner rejected claims 4, 5, 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Zhang in view of Severson, Goh and Pressesky. The applicant submits that these claims are allowable for being dependent upon allowable independent claims.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections is requested. Allowance of claims 1-10 at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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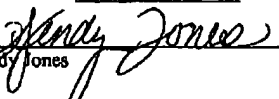
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